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COUNTRY East Germany 25X1 REPORT NO. 25X1

TOPIC Soviet Troop Trains and KVP Trains

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DATE OF CONTENT 4 June to 22 July 1953

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. The following troop trains were listed in railroad records between 4 June and 22 July 1953:

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Date	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To	
4 June	22 boxcars and side-rack flatcars with soldiers, artillery pieces and trucks	Koenigsbrueck;	Schwarzenberg	
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	55 boxcars and side-rack flatcars with soldiers, artillery pieces and trucks	Koenigsbrueck;	Chemnitz	
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25 June	29 boxcars and side-rack flatcars with soldiers, artillery pieces and trucks	Koenigsbrueck	Jueterbo	
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9 July	undetermined number of cars with tanks	Dresden	Schwepnitz	
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10 July	15 cars with seven artillery pieces	Frankfurt/Oder	Falkenberg	
13 July	54 side-rack flatcars with 60 trucks	Falkenberg	Frankfurt/Oder	
14 July	20 cars with tanks;	Rueckmarsdorf	Schwepnitz	
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	18 cars with tanks;	Grimma	Schwepnitz	
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25X1	21 cars; shipment-record [redacted]	Grimma	Schwepnitz	3
25X1	24 cars; shipment-record [redacted]	Grimma	Schwepnitz	3
19 July	20 cars with tanks	Wurzen	Strand	3
	19 cars with tanks	Wurzen	Strand	3
20 July	21 cars with tanks	Wurzen	Schwepnitz	3
22 July	21 side-rack flatcars with 20 empty aircraft crates and 2 prime movers	Cottbus airfield	Frankfurt/Oder	4

2. KVP trains identified from railroad records between 14 and 21 July included:

<u>Date in July</u>	<u>Composition of KVP Trains</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	
14	24 boxcars with KVP personnel and equipment	Weisswasser	Leipzig	[redacted]
16	undetermined number of boxcars and side-rack flatcars with KVP personnel and equipment	Weisswasser	Halle railroad district	
18 July	undetermined number of cars with 175 KVP personnel	Kamenz	Dresden	5
	undetermined number of cars with 130 KVP personnel	Dresden	Leipzig	6
20 July	undetermined number of boxcars and side-rack flatcars with KVP personnel and equipment	Weisswasser	Halle railroad district	[redacted]
21 July	undetermined number of boxcars and side-rack flatcars with KVP personnel and equipment	Weisswasser	Halle railroad district	

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[REDACTED] Comment. Probably two troop trains with components of the 6th Gds AAA Div returning to their home stations after completion of field exercises. On the same day, [REDACTED] also observed the departure of a troop train with a medium AAA unit from Koenigsbrueck toward Dresden. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RTO of the First Gds Mecz Army. It was previously believed that GOFG troop trains were dispatched by a GOFG RTO [REDACTED] and not by the RTO belonging to the district where the GOFG unit was stationed. [REDACTED] an unidentified AAA unit of the 6th Gds AAA Div (US) until 4 June 1943.

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[REDACTED] Comment. On 26 June 1953, a troop train [REDACTED] from Koenigsbrueck to Jueterbog was reported [REDACTED] This train also had 29 cars which probably hauled rocket launchers to the rocket launcher repair shop of the GOFG to Jueterbog. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Comment. The troop trains probably carried units returning to the Koenigsbrueck troop training grounds which moved to their home stations during the riots in East Germany. Thus, army troops of the First Gds Mecz Army or contingents of the 11th Gds Tank Div probably returned to Koenigsbrueck from Dresden; and components of the 8th Gds Mecz Div from Rueckmarsdorf, Grimma and Wurzen. Only one loading of troops, however, was observed at Grimma on 13 July 1953. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Comment. Probably shipping back to the USSR of empty crates which had contained MiG-15 assigned to the VPL in April 1953.

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[REDACTED] Comment. The KVP trains from Weisswasser carried KVP units of TV 6000 returning to their home stations.

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6. [REDACTED] Comment. Up to early June 1953, Dresden-Klotzsche airfield was occupied by elements of a VPL regiment from Kamenz, which had been withdrawn later. A training of members of this regiment possibly again was started at Klotzsche airfield.

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